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IRANIAN TUDEH PARTY IS NO LONGER ILLEGAL

1. The Communist Tudeh party is no longer illegal, and can now engage in overt activity, following an Iranian court ruling of 16 May.
 - a. Some imprisoned members have already been released.
 - b. It is not clear whether or not this action was approved or sponsored by Mossadeq's government, which, however, has thus far permitted the decision to stand.
 - c. A statement by Hossein Fatemi, the foreign minister, who on Sunday said merely that the last word had not been spoken in the matter, seemed to evade the issue of what the government would or would not do.

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